



# Sahuarro Weekly Update



*"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."*

**Councilmember Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona**

**February 12, 2010**

## **Bridge Demolition Now Complete at Union Hills Drive Interchange**

During the past two weekends, construction crews removed the outer portion of the Union Hills Drive interchange bridge to prepare the bridge to be widened by an additional lane in each direction. That work went very smoothly and is now complete. Construction to build the new outer portions of the bridge can now proceed.

**Beardsley Road between 81st and 83rd avenues.** Beginning Feb. 17, portions of the sidewalk on Beardsley Road between 81st and 83rd avenues will be CLOSED until mid-March for utility work and sidewalk removal. Pedestrians will be guided around the work area, and the sidewalk on the opposite side of Beardsley Road will remain open for pedestrians.

**Union Hills Drive at Loop 101.** Left turns from eastbound Union Hills Drive to northbound Loop 101 will be restricted to one turn lane through late 2010 for interchange improvements.



## *Sahuarro District Spring Fling*

The family-friendly outdoor event will be held at the Paseo Park ballfields, 63rd Avenue and Thunderbird Road. A free hot dog lunch and refreshments will be served.

This is Councilmember Steve Frate's fifth year hosting the event to help inform and educate residents on the variety of city services and other community programs that are available to them.

Representatives from city departments will be on hand to answer questions and provide residents with information on Glendale services. City vehicles and equipment will be on display from the Public Works, Transportation, Police and Fire departments.

Southwest Ambulance will provide blood pressure checks, and its popular kid's ambulance will be at the event for families to look at.

In addition, Glendale Fire personnel will be demonstrating the Continuous Chest Compression resuscitation technique. This life-saving technique does not involve mouth-to-mouth resuscitation – just chest compressions. Banner Thunderbird Medical Center will also be in attendance to highlight its women's health programs.

In addition to learning about local programs and services, families will enjoy free activities, including inflatable jumpers provided by the Glendale/Peoria YMCA, clowns and face painting. Arizona Prestige Gymnastics and USA Martial Arts will entertain attendees with demonstrations.

For more information, call 623-930-2016.

## **What does the 2010 Census mean to Glendale?**

- More than half of the city's operating budget is determined by Census data!
- Ensures we are fairly represented at the state and federal level
- Provides funding for police and fire protection
- Funds our parks and libraries
- Funds our streets and roads
- Funds school lunch programs and senior centers
- The higher the response rate on the 2010 U.S. Census for the city of Glendale, the more revenue the city receives to provide essential city services.

**Spring Fling 2010.** Residents living in the Sahuarro District are invited to attend the annual Sahuarro District Spring Fling event from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20.



**IT'S IN OUR HANDS**

You will receive your questionnaire in March 2010 either by U.S. mail or hand delivery.

**2010 Census Questionnaire: Easy, Important and Safe.** With only 10 questions, the 2010 Census questionnaire takes approximately 10 minutes to complete. Households are asked to provide key demographic information, including: whether a housing unit is rented or owned; the address of the residence; and the names, genders, ages and races of those living in the household. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share an individual's responses with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

**President's Day Holiday Notice.** City of Glendale offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 15 in observance of President's Day.

For all households whose scheduled garbage and recycling service falls on the holiday, city sanitation crews will provide service the following day.

The Glendale Municipal Landfill will be closed. For more information about the city's Sanitation services, call (623) 930-2660.

Buses will be running the normal weekday schedule. The Gus Bus will only operate on one route. Dial-a-Ride will operate on a reservation-only basis. Reservations must be made by noon on Friday, Feb. 12. For details about the holiday transit schedule, call (623) 930-3500.

In addition, Glendale's three public libraries will be closed, as well as the Glendale Visitor Center.

While the Glendale Municipal Airport will remain open during the holiday, the airport's administrative offices will be closed.

However, the Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center will be open on this holiday, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**New Online Video Library.** Glendale residents can now watch their favorite shows from the award-winning Glendale 11 television station, as well as current and past city council meetings, online and on-demand thanks to a new video library on the city's Web site.

This new video archive aims to keep residents informed, with the convenience of watching what they want, when they want it. The library can be found at [www.glendaleaz.com/video](http://www.glendaleaz.com/video) and features a variety of video content about the city of Glendale, including city council meetings, Glendale Today and special features like festival shows and the popular "The Making of the Stadium."

Powered by Granicus, an online video streaming tool, the video library also allows users to search city council meetings for specific agenda items and then click immediately to that part of the meeting that interests them.

## Around Town

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[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.

**Parent's Night Out on February 13.** Parents can enjoy an evening out during the Valentine's weekend through the Glendale Parks & Recreation Department's Parent's Night Out from 5-9 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13.

During Parent's Night Out, children are dropped off by their parents to the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St., where arts and crafts, games, ping pong, pizza, drinks and more await them. Parents should also bring their children's pajamas and a pillow for the evening movie.

The cost per child is only \$10 for Glendale residents and \$12 for non-residents. Preregistration is required; call 623-930-2820 to register or for more information.

**From The Heart Application Workshop.** Social service agencies that serve Glendale residents are invited to a grant application workshop on Wednesday, February 17 to learn how to apply for From The Heart funding.

The workshop will be held from 2 – 4 p.m. in Room B-3 at Glendale City Hall, 59th and Glendale avenues. Grant applications will be available at the workshop and online.

To be eligible for grant funding, social service agencies must be non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations that serve Glendale residents. Agencies must also have been operational for at least 12 months prior to applying for grants, which range from \$2,500 to \$20,000.

The deadline to submit a completed application packet is 4 p.m. Friday, March 5. For more information about From The Heart, or to get an application online, [click here](#).

**C-SPAN Civics Bus. Capitol Hill,** The White House and National Politics – it's all available on cable through C-SPAN. The channel offers non-stop coverage of government proceedings and public affairs programming. Find out more about what C-SPAN has in its archives when the C-SPAN Civics Bus stops at Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., from 2:30-4 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 17. For more information, call (623) 930-3554.

**Glendale Coffeehouse.** At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 17, the Main Library continues a 20-year tradition of Coffeehouse music with these scheduled entertainers: Les and Judy Taylor with mountain folk, country western and contemporary gospel; Ken, Wilma and Tammy Alley and their old-time country, gospel and bluegrass music. Glendale Main Library is located at 5959 W. Brown St. For more information call (623) 930-3573.

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